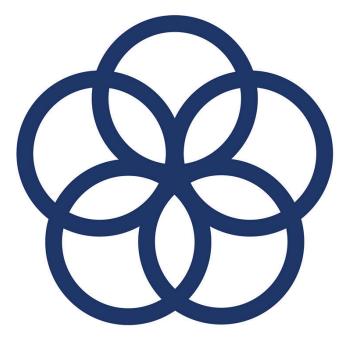


# **17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS**



## BAU AT A GLANCE

Sinceits foundation in 1998, the vision of BAU has been to be a global university known for its contribution to scientific, technological, and cultural knowledge through innovative education models and research approaches that reflect international standards as well as service to society. Currently, BAU Global Network comprises of 6 universities (Istanbul, Washington D.C., Berlin, Cyprus, Batumi, Plymouth), 5 liaison offices (BAU Global Azerbaijan Jordan, Uzbekistan, Mongolia, Pakistan) and 5 language schools.

As one of the leading universities in Türkiye, BAU aims primarily to improve the living standards of the local and global society by integrating the sustainable development goals into its corporate processes and culture, educational programs, academic research practices and stakeholder collaborations. BAU with its staff members, students and alumni is a big academic community who are raised as good global citizens committed to each x and the world around them and always act with the utmost sense of ethics and social responsibility.

## **BAU WITH NUMBERS**

- · 7 campuses in Istanbul
- · 10 faculties, 1 conservatory, 2 vocational schools
- · 40 BA programs, 153 MA programs, 24 PhD. programs
- · 22 research and application centers
- · 150 labs, workshops/studios, incubation centers
- · 223 Erasmus partner universities, 92 world exchange partners
- · 805 full-time faculty members, 526 administrative staff members
- $\cdot$  19.595 undergraduate students, 5.503 graduate students, 1.306 associate degree students
- · 79 student clubs
- · 224 externally funded projects between 2020-2022
- · 340 industry partnerships & projects between 2020-2022



BAU participates in the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings since 2019. According to the current rankings, BAU belongs to the **601-800 band in the World University Rankings, the 401-600 band in the Impact Rankings** and **the 251-300 band in the Young University Rankings**. Also, BAU is **ranked among the top 5 universities in Türkiye**.

The university continuously increases its standing in categories related to the UN Sustainable Development Goals. As of 2022, BAU holds the following standings in the THE Impact Rankings;

- · Ranks between 101-200 in Industry Innovation, Infrastructure
- · Ranks between 201-300 in Gender Equality
- · Ranks between 301-400 in Reducing Inequalities
- · Ranks between 301-400 in Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- · Ranks between 301-400 in Sustainable Cities and Communities

The University takes the above-mentioned rankings as evaluation criteria for progress regarding its adherence and contribution to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and will continue to report its advancement in the rankings on a yearly basis.

Bahçeşehir University attaches great importance to developing local, national and international partnerships and collaborations in line with its vision of contributing to the realization of sustainable development goals and has been continuing its studies on this subject for years.

The cooperation between Bahçeşehir University and the United Nations Education and Research Institute (UNITAR) has been continuing since 2019.

CIFAL Istanbul was established in 2019 in collaboration with United Nations Training and Research Institute (UNITAR) and Bahçeşehir University (BAU). The center's mission is to advance and enhance capacity on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals for public and private sector leaders, nongovernmental organizations, academics, local authorities, and students.

Through the transfer of best-knowledge practices, social awareness, and cross-sectional collaboration, CIFAL Istanbul seeks to strengthen sustainable development capacities for individuals and institutions at the national and international level.

Bau organizes joint events with many local and national non-governmental organizations, in addition to its work with international organizations such as UN, World Values Survey Association at the United Nations, UN Food and Agriculture Organization.

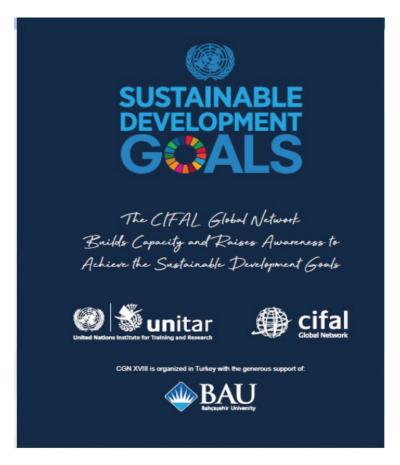
#### Sustainability Literacy Training (29 May 2021)

The Sustainability Literacy training was carried out in partnership with the United Nations Institute for Education and Research (UNITAR), the International Training Center for Managers and Leaders (CIFAL Istanbul) and BAU Continuing Education Center (BAUSEM). The objective of the online event was to create awareness about the global sustainability agenda and the UN Sustainable Development Goals. It focused on SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals).



### "CIFAL Global Network Steering Committee Meeting" (7-9 December 2021)





#### The Launch of CIFAL Istanbul Youth Platform (7 December 2021)

The objective of the CIFAL "Istanbul Youth Platform" (IGP) is to create awareness about the UN Sustainable Development Goals and to contribute to their adoption and internalization among university students. Members of the Platform will create their own ideas, develop projects and undertake joint actions with the UN. Also, they will be encouraged to apply for internships, education and training programs in the UN organizations, and they will be able to participate in CIFAL Istanbul's certificate programs on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). All BAU undergraduate and graduate students have the right to be a member of the platform.

IGP has five purposes: (1) To create awareness about and develop a sense of ownership with regards to the United Nations system, its institutional structure and agenda among BAU students, (2) to raise awareness about the UN SDGs among youth, (3) to contribute to the skill development of future mediators and decisio n makers who empathize with other cultures and societies, are reliable, have credibility, create a sense of trust, are fair and understanding, (5) to support young people to show the courage, patience and balanced attitudes necessary for international cooperation as well as to help them develop a sense of time, harmony, persistence and creativity which are instrumental in designing lasting peace and prosperity for global society and the planet.

